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For: METHOD FOR PRODUCING A DEVICE DEFINING A VOLUME FOR RETAINING A FLUID OR A SENSITIVE MATERIAL) Date: July 23, 2008)

COMMENTS (E) ON STATEMENT OF REASONS FOR ALLOWANCE

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In response to the Notice of Allowance mailed April 23, 2008, please enter the following comments regarding the application identified above as follows:

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REMARKS

In response to the Notice of Allowance mailed April 23, 2008, Applicant makes the following Comments on Statement of Reasons for Allowance presented by the Examiner. The Examiner specifies disclosure of the reference Yoshimura Hiroyuki (JP 07-175072), however, fails to specify that it does not include the steps in the sequence set forth. Applicant respectfully asserts that the statement should be edited on line 8 of the first paragraph to include, "however, the prior art does not disclose, wherein said method includes the *following* steps in the sequence set forth."

Questions are welcomed by the below signed attorney of record for the Applicant.

Respectfully submitted,

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